



Safe Routes to School Workshop

Wednesday, October 4th, 2006

MSU Billings – Downtown Campus

Hart Administration Building

214 North Broadway, Billings

12:00pm – 4:00pm

The Montana Department of Transportation is pleased to announce the kick off the Montana Safe Routes to School program with a free workshop on Safe Routes to Schools. The Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Programs all share one common goal – to improve the health of kids and the community by making walking and bicycling to school safer, easier, and more enjoyable. When routes are safe, walking or biking to and from school is an easy way to get the regular physical activity children need for good health. Safe Routes to School initiatives also help ease traffic jams and air pollution, unite neighborhoods and contribute to students' readiness to learn in school, and increase safety awareness.

This training is designed to help individuals interested in developing a SRTS program in their community, and provide the tools necessary to implement a successful program.

Facilitated by Mark Fenton, nationally-renowned walkability expert, these workshops will identify ways to help communities move toward creating safer routes for kids to walk and hike to school. Mark Fenton has a master's degree in engineering from MIT and is a certified instructor and course developer of the Safe Routes to School National Course. Former host of PBS's *America's Walking*, Mark has made numerous TV appearances, including *Today* and *Good Morning America*. He is the author of *The Complete Guide to walking for Health, Weight Loss, and Fitness* (Lyons Press, 2001).

This workshop will include an observation of the pick-up at McKinley Elementary School and walking audit that afternoon. We will reconvene at MSU-Billings and discuss how to create safe environments for all students, whether walking and cycling or arriving by bus or car.

A room block has been set up at the Best Western Clocktower Inn (2511 1st Ave N.) under "Safe Routes to School" for the night of Tuesday, October 3rd. Please call 406.259.5511 by Wednesday, September 27th if you need to reserve a room.

Travel scholarships are available on a first come, first serve basis. For more information and to register for these workshops please contact Virginia Summey at (877) 935-7233 or e-mail vsummey@mt.gov. Registration is free, but space is limited. **Please register by September 15, 2006.**



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- ☐ YES! Sign me up for the Safe Routes to School Workshop!
- ☐ Sorry! I won't be able to make it to the workshop, but would like to learn more about creating Safe Routes to School!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

School/ School District (if applicable): _____

Occupation: _____

Organization: _____

Please return registration form by September 15th to:

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Montana Safe Routes to School Coordinator
c/o Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies – MT
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Helena, MT 59601

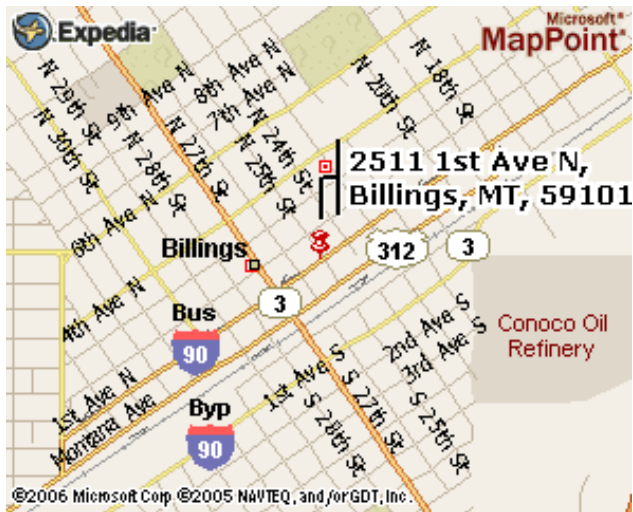
vsummey@mt.gov (e-mail)

406.449. 3703 (fax)

*Remember to bring your comfortable walking shoes!!

*Workshops are limited to 50 people, so register EARLY!!

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Best Western, Clocktower Inn

2511 1st Ave North
Billings, MT 59101

406.259.5511



McKinley School

820 N. 31st Street
Billings, MT 59101

406. 255. 3853



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406.896.5890